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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant : Tazawa  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**  
**Amendment**

Dear Madam:

In response to the Office Action of January 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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